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Summary

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- Updated rule to meet "plain talk" principles.
- Updated references to other department rules.

Worker Responsibilities:

- Added that we only exclude one-time refugee resettlement payments as income. We do not exclude ongoing payments from VOLAGs including the "Matching Grant Program".
- Added that we exclude money exchanged between members of the same assistance unit for shared household costs or other purposes. This exchange of funds is not a gain to the household.
- Added information on cash sanctions and the impact on Basic Food benefits:
 - When we sanction someone for failure to meet program requirements, we count the entire grant the AU would receive if they were not in sanction.
 - If the TANF/SFA or GA case terminates while in sanction status, we stop budgeting the grant against their Basic Food benefits.
- Added information on vendor / third party payments. We exclude support payments made directly to a third party for a household expense when there isn't a court order for support or the payment is more than the court ordered support.

Policy Clarifications: Clarifications #1402, 1413, 1421, 1502, 1510, 1552, 1560, 1598, 1623, 1692, 1746, 1835, 1836, and 1863 are rescinded with publication of this manual revision.